

AGENDA



Thursday, May 22, 2008

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 22**

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract through the TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COOPERATIVE (BUYBOARD) with T F HARPER & ASSOCIATES L P, Austin, TX, for the purchase and installation of a playscape and playground equipment for the Davis-White Northeast Park in an amount not to exceed \$88,132.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: Cruz Banda, Buyer II/974-2133

Purchasing Language: Cooperative Purchase.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). This contract is a cooperative purchase; therefore, it is exempted under Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code and no goals were established for this solicitation.

This contract is for the purchase and installation of a playscape and playground equipment for the David-White Northeast District Park. The current playscape to be removed is over 10 years old and has been identified by the Parks and Recreation Department's playground inspector as being non-compliant with the department's current standards, and recommended for replacement.

A new fire truck play equipment shall replace an antique fire truck that was removed due to many maintenance and repair issues and has been donated to the Fire Department museum. The new playscape and equipment is designed to be ADA accessible. The existing swing sets are also recommended for replacement. Other equipment to be included are basketball goals added to the half court surface and replacement of existing barbecue grills that are rusted and unusable. These items have also been requested to be addressed through the LBJ Neighborhood Association.

T F Harper & Associates L P is under contract with BuyBoard to supply these materials and services statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing the BuyBoard contract provides for volume discount pricing as well as the earliest delivery of equipment.